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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

IVAN ROMERO, JESSICA
JUAREZ, and S.R., a minor by and
through his guardian ad litem, IVAN
ROMERO,

Plaintiffs,

v.

PASCO SCHOOL DISTRICT,
RATREE ALBERS, NORA
FLORES, TIM SULLIVAN,
SAUNDRA HILL, JOHN AND
JANE DOES 1-30,

Defendants.

No. 4:16-cv-05112

STIPULATION AND ORDER OF
PROTECTION OF STUDENT
RECORDS AND PERSONNEL
RECORDS

I. STIPULATION

Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20
U.S.C. § 1232g and 34 C.F.R. Ch. 99 et seq., the parties hereto, through their
respective counsel, STIPULATE and AGREE as follows:

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1 1. All Student Records of any student and all Personnel Records of any
2 employee (hereinafter "Records") released by Pasco School District ("the
3 District") to Scott W. Johnson, of Johnson & Orr, attorney for Plaintiffs in this
4 litigation shall be considered confidential and private and shall not be released to
5 third parties except to the following individuals for purposes of this lawsuit:

6 a. Attorneys, paralegals, or assistants working in the parties'
7 attorneys' offices on this lawsuit;

8 b. Claims representatives for the insurance providers of the District;
9 and

10 c. Expert consultants and expert witnesses retained by the parties and
11 their attorneys for purposes of developing opinions regarding this
12 lawsuit.

13 2. Any Records released to Plaintiffs or their attorneys by the District shall
14 only be used for purposes of this litigation and shall not be re-released in any
15 form, including by orally informing others of their content, to anyone for any
16 purpose other than this litigation.

17 3. Before Plaintiffs release Records to any individuals, those individuals
18 must agree to maintain the confidentiality of the Records and promise to return
19 those Records to Plaintiffs' attorney at the end of this litigation or destroy those
20 Records.

21 4. Any document filed with the Court shall refer to students only by the
22 student's first and last initials. Additionally, any student names mentioned during
23 depositions shall be substituted out and be replaced in the record with the
24 student's initials.
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1 5. At the end of this litigation, Plaintiffs shall either return the Records to
2 the attorneys for the District or destroy the Records, except that the parties may
3 maintain a copy of the records for their files.

4 6. Records containing information about students other than S.R. will not
5 be re-released to third parties outside of Plaintiffs' attorney's office, except
6 pursuant to a court order or valid subpoena. In such circumstances, the student (if
7 over 18 years of age) or the parent of that student shall be notified at least ten (10)
8 days in advance of the release so that they may make any objection concerning
9 the release before the release of Records occurs. Notwithstanding, Plaintiffs may
10 release copies of Records to experts retained after those experts agree to maintain
11 the confidentiality of any student information in the Records and promise to
12 return them to Plaintiffs' attorney at the end of this litigation or destroy the
13 Records that have been provided.

14 7. Upon any objection from a parent or student, Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs'
15 counsel shall take all reasonable steps to resolve the dispute about the release of
16 Records.

17 8. Should the District be required to respond to a complaint from the
18 Family Policy Compliance Office of the U.S. Department of Education (FPCO)
19 for anything related to the release of the Records to Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs'
20 attorney by the District, Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' attorney will cooperate with

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1 the District and the FPCO in resolving any such complaint.

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3 DATED this 23 day of May, 2016.

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5 FOBES & LEITCH, INC., P.S.

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7 By: 

8 Charles P.E. Leitch, WSBA No. 25443
9 Attorney for Defendants

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12 DATED this 22 day of May, 2017

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14 JOHNSON & ORR, P.S.

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16 By: 

17 Scott W. Johnson, WSBA No. 27839
18 Attorney for Plaintiffs

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II. ORDER

THIS MATTER having come before the Court on the parties' stipulation regarding student information contained in student records, the Court, having reviewed the foregoing stipulation and having been otherwise fully informed herein, hereby ORDERS:

All Student Records of any student and all Personnel Records of any employee (hereinafter "Records") released by Pasco School District ("the District") to Scott W. Johnson, attorney for Plaintiffs in this litigation shall be considered confidential and private and shall not be released to third parties except to the following individuals for purposes of this lawsuit:

- a. Attorneys, paralegals, or assistants working in the parties' attorneys' offices on this lawsuit;
- b. Claims representatives for the insurance providers of the District;
- c. Expert consultants and expert witnesses retained by the parties and their attorneys for purposes of developing opinions regarding this lawsuit.

2. Any Records released to Plaintiffs or their attorney by the District shall only be used for purposes of this litigation and shall not be re-released in any form, including by orally informing others of their content, to anyone for any purpose other than this litigation.

3. Before Plaintiffs releases Records to any individuals, those individuals must agree to maintain the confidentiality of the Records and promise to return

1 those Records to Plaintiffs' attorney at the end of this litigation or destroy those
2 Records.

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21 counsel shall take all reasonable steps to resolve the dispute about the release of
22 Records.

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24 Family Policy Compliance Office of the U.S. Department of Education (FPCO)
25 for anything related to the release of the Records to Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs'


1 attorney by the District, Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' attorney will cooperate with the
2 District and the FPCO in resolving any such complaint.

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4 Date this 6th day of June, ²⁰¹⁷~~2016~~.

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8 United States District Judge
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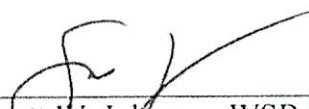
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16 Charles P.E. Leitch, WSBA No. 25443
17 Attorney for Defendants

18 Approved as to form; Notice of Presentation Waived

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